REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT- RELATED PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

DR. KARAN SINGH (NCT of Delhi): Sir, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Reports of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on External Affairs (Fourteenth Lok Sabha):

1. Sixth Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2005-2006) of the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs; and
2. Seventh Report of the Committee on Demands for Grants (2005-2006) of the Ministry of External Affairs.

DISCUSSION ON THE WORKING OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES - *Contd.*

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI) : Sir, I am thankful to you for giving me the opportunity to respond to the debate on the working of the Ministry of Water Resources. Sir, the UPA policy is quite different from the policy of the NDA regime. *...(Interruptions)...* Irrigation will receive the highest investment priority and all on-going projects will be completed according to a strict time-schedule.

Re. STATEMENT MADE BY THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR RAILWAYS INTHE HOUSE

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: What is your point of order? *...(Interruptions)...* He is on a point of order. *...(Interruptions)...*

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA (Jharkhand) : Sir, what is this? *...(Interruptions)...* You said, "You will allow me.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please speak.

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Sir, I wish to raise an issue in this House. Yesterday, a statement was read on behalf of the Railway Minister by the hon. Minister of State for Railways in this House. I have a copy, Sir, here, of the statement. *...(Interruptions)...*